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SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 1906.

Mountainside Hospital.

It is more than a year since the Mountainside Hospital opened its new building, and the institution entered upon a larger phase of its work. Since that time hundreds have been treated in its wards, very largely free; the visits to its out-patient department have risen to thousands, 456 during the month of March alone; its private rooms are all occupied much of the time, and already the hospital is taxed beyond its capacity, and patients have been refused admission, owing to insufficient room. The enlarged work has brought greatly increased cost of operation, and to-day the hospital faces a debt of ten thousand dollars, and an insufficient income to meet its running expenses.

As the hospital proves daily its value to the communities to which it serves, and its reputation extends beyond this locality, the Board of Governors feel confident that if the necessities of the institution are fully realized by our citizens, that they will afford the hospital the generous support which is so urgently needed at this time. Personal inspection of the building and examination of the work is desired by the governors.

Professor, Chancellor to His Teachers.

Wm. E. Chancellor, superintendent of the public schools of Paterson, has informed the teachers by means of a letter to the principals that the coming Easter vacation should not be devoted to making clothes. In the letter he says:

"I do not consider that a good vacation in which a teacher sits indoors ten hours a day and makes clothes. It may be necessary to have dresses, but this vacation is not provided for that purpose."

The superintendent directs that during the vacation everybody get out into the open air and work up an appetite for three meals a day. He also directs mental relaxation by reading good fiction and books of travel. He also advises that the teachers become acquainted with the city in which they live. He says that he knows of teachers who have lived all their lives in Paterson and have never seen the Passaic Falls. He tells of one teacher who has lived fifteen years in Paterson and never saw more than three school buildings.

Fight Against License Application.

At a hearing in the Court of Common Pleas Monday on the saloon license applications that were laid over from the previous week Halsey M. Barrett appeared for the Borough of Glen Ridge in opposition to the application of Sabino Clardi for a license to keep a saloon at No. 160 Highland avenue. The applicant was represented by Counsel Hugh B. Reid, who submitted to the court a petition signed by borough residents in favor of the saloon. Mr. Barrett offered objection on the ground that Clardi is not a resident of Glen Ridge and that of the names appended to his application less than ten of them were of freeholders, as the law requires. He also maintained that several of the signatures were not residents; that three of the signatures were only crosses and no witnesses were present, and that Margaret Wade's signature was pasted on and not written directly by her. Mrs. Wade, he said, is at present a resident of Amityville, Long Island.

Farewell to Dr. Woodruff.

Rev. Dr. C. S. Woodruff preached at the union service on Thursday evening in the Park M. E. Church on the 23d Psalm, which he styled the Psalm of the Resurrection, to a large and attentive audience. It was Dr. Woodruff's last service in Bloomfield, and while it was not so intended, it partook of the nature of a farewell. Dr. Woodruff having spoken of the kindness with which he had been entertained by all the people and his sorrow at parting from them, the Rev. George L. Curtis, in an impromptu address, spoke of the high esteem in which Dr. Woodruff was held by all the pastors and the community. Hand-shaking followed, and many lingered to tell their good wishes to the retiring preacher.

Job Haines Home.

The managers of the Job Haines Home for Aged People invite the friends of that institution to attend an afternoon tea, and would be pleased to have a luncheon shower on Saturday, April 21st, from 3 to 5 o'clock. Home-made cake will be on sale.

The Other Side of Things—Wealth.

No theme seems more popular in magazines than that of grubbing at the "Unequal Distribution of Wealth," and that of fault-finding at the manner in which it is used. Moreover, the fact of that popularity proves how little the masses think beyond the mere surface of things, and how readily they burrah at the call of any one who makes a "kick" at riches.

Some years ago, it is told, a poor man of great intelligence and of good talking power called on John Jacob Astor and earnestly laid before him the wrong of so much wealth being piled up in the hands of one man. Mr. Astor listened attentively, and responded with sympathy, saying that no doubt his visitor was right, and taking a pencil, he replied: "It is said that I am worth a hundred million dollars" (setting the figures down on a piece of paper). Then he continued: "It is claimed that there are eight hundred million people in the world. Therefore, dividing 'my' wealth up evenly would give each person twelve and a half cents, and I am perfectly willing to give you your share now if you will make the change," and he handed the visitor a dime and three copper cents.

That story illustrates the absurdity of the contention that the world would be better off if wealth were equally distributed. A further consideration comes in examining the situation following such a distribution. Suppose it took place yesterday, and that last night every person in the world had his equal share of the world's wealth. This morning one person wants a newspaper so much that he parts with one cent of his wealth, and his newboy is one cent richer than his customer. Others do the same, and by nightfall the newboy will be very much richer than any of his customers, for so many of them have each given him one or more cents, and in the meantime the newspapers have become worthless. Immediately another distribution of wealth must take place, or in a short period matters will be just as bad as before.

However, this supposition is of itself an absurdity, for there could be no newspapers, as will appear from a further consideration of the subject.

F. W. HEWES.

(To be continued.)

New Switching System.

The new switching system on the Morris and Essex branch and the Bloomfield branch of the Lackawanna, placed in the cut, is regarded by railroad men as the highest development of safety appliances for tracks and switches. Several pages of description of a technical character were given in the Railroad Gazette last week with plans and illustrations of interest to operators, trackmen and other railroad employees, but possibly too deep for laymen.

The difficulties presented at this point were not overcome without providing a system of levers operated from a structure on the top of the embankment and containing fifty-two levers, forty-nine of which are in action, and of these twenty-five are for signaling, nine for operating switches, thirteen for locks and bars, and two for movable points frogs. This building is erected over the retaining wall at a point where a clear view can be obtained of all the switches in either direction. The lower part of the house or tower is built in a recess in the retaining wall and is used for storage and workrooms. The main floor, in which the levers are operated, is about twenty-five feet above the bottom of the cut. The levers are so many that some of them are superimposed over by the others along the side of the retaining wall.

The main line and Bloomfield branch have automatic block signals. The system was furnished by the Union Switch Signal Company, and is of the Johnson type, slightly modified in part. There are three tracks in the main line, and the middle track is equipped with a series of switches which permit it to be used for through trains eastward in the rush hours of the morning and westward in the afternoon.

Electric locking and indicating apparatus is provided, and there are repeating indicators in the switch tower to show the position of all the signals, which are hidden from the view of the operators, and train indicators to give automatic warning of the approach of trains, together with a train describer, operated by the signalman at the Newark station, by which information is given of all trains from the east. There is telephone service, also, connecting with nearby stations.

Some Men.

There are some men who will suffer almost any public condition and aid to maintain it, however rotten; who will abide almost any official, however inefficient; who will place a seal upon their lips when silence, even in a moral crime; who will eat and vote and talk like a monkey rather than an American citizen—all this rather than to have a look-ought—"right" they call it—for a better state of affairs. Because of such men others with backbone and a sense of civic duty and moral decency must forever work and fight the harder.—Madison Eagle.

Musical Instruction.

Miss Grace Willocks will resume instructions on the piano September 11th. Residence and studio, 87 Orchard street. Arrangements can be made now.—Advt.

Bloomfield Centre Realty Prices.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CITIZEN:

Sir: There has been much comment of late about the value of property in and about Bloomfield Centre, and some exaggerated ideas as to value are entertained by some enthusiasts who probably own no property there. If Bloomfield Centre property is worth any more than property in other parts of the town, it is because of the advantages it offers for business. The question arises, can any business enterprise outside of banking be carried on at the Centre that would warrant an expenditure of three hundred dollars per front foot for property? A general survey of conditions at the Centre and a careful estimate of the business capacity of the town considered from the standpoint of population and the average income of the people, does not seem to strongly support the theory of high value for the Centre property. The trolley transportation facilities at the Centre, which are pointed to as a factor of value in so far as local business is concerned, are a depreciating factor. The trolleys take more business from the Centre than they bring to it. Bloomfield Centre does not appear to be situated in a way to focalize trade at that point.

In the extreme north end of the town it is more advantageous to go to Paterson to trade than to come to Bloomfield Centre. In the large and well-populated section south of Second river the natural tendency of trade seems to be in the direction of Newark.

If it be true, as has been asserted, that three hundred dollars per front foot is asked for Centre real estate the asking price must be based on anticipated improvement in business conditions there rather than on present appearances.

OLD CITIZEN.

Real Estate Values.

The Bloomfield CITIZEN in a recent issue quotes a real estate dealer of this place as saying that property fronting the business centre is worth from \$250 to \$350 a front foot. Transfers of realty are actually taking place in Bloomfield at the prices mentioned.

Not many years ago a city lot could be bought for what a front foot brings now. Bloomfield, Rosedale, East Orange and Orange are now undergoing a remarkable transformation. Street after street is being lined with residences of a substantial character, which are being quickly purchased or rented to home-seekers.

Where do these people all come from? Is a natural query. Thousands from New York, and yet a great many from Newark itself, where the presidential sections are so closely built up that there is little room for expansion.

The Oranges and other suburban towns in that vicinity afford practically every desirable feature for the making of homes. Somebody has called these towns the bedrooms for New York, but they are that and a great deal more.

First, there is small chance that these places will be ever taken over in their entirety for business or manufacturing enterprises, and this is an assurance specially needed in the development of a section for residential purposes. In addition to this Bloomfield, Rosedale and the Oranges are clean, healthy, delightful places in which to live, with splendid school facilities and an intellectual tone, coupled with a spirit of modern progress, that make them ideal home towns.

The next five years will witness a really marvellous growth in these sections. It has barely commenced.—Commerce and Finance.

Badly Scalded.

Robert Brady, son of Thomas Brady, was scalded about the face Wednesday. The boy had been fishing in the Morris Canal at the rubber mill and was ready to go home when he grabbed a steam pipe that projects from the mill into the canal to hold himself up on the bank. His weight broke the pipe and the scalding steam struck him full in the face. He will be confined to his home for several days.

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A hero gave his life,
Ab, never was such sacrifice
To justice hate and strife!
To-day his humble, rocky tomb
In love's most sacred shrine;
And from his cross of pain and gloom
Flies strength and light divine.
His life of patient, loving grace
Our reverence still awakes;
And every land and every race
Is past for him forsakes.
He lives! The changed lives of men
His secret still proclaim.
The light in them reflects again
His changeless, deathless flame.
Jesus! Thy followers true, tho' weak,
This Easter gladness share;
To thee, when ideal life we seek,
We look—and find it there.

M. L. L.

Not Pleased.

The Catholic and Protestant clergymen of the State who stirred up public sentiment in favor of enacting more stringent liquor laws are not at all pleased over the manner in which the State Senate responded to their appeal. The much emaculated "Bishop's bill," as passed by the Upper House, they say, is not what they had hoped to obtain, and they propose to stick at their work until a Legislature of some future date passes an adequate measure.

The Rev. John A. Sheppard, Vicar-General of the Newark Diocese, and rector of St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church in Ninth street, Jersey City, who was one of the prime movers in the agitation, says that the bill which was passed by the Senate "looked as though its remains had come through a railroad wreck or a sausage factory."

A Bad Locality.

That portion of this town near the city line is gaining an unfavorable reputation on account of the shooting and stabbing affrays that have been of such frequent occurrence in that locality of late years. The place is beyond the limits of police surveillance on the part of this town, Newark and Belleville. Most of the disorderly outbreaks occur on Sundays, when the disorderly elements from several towns congregate there on account of the freedom from police interference and the absence of an enforcement of law on several other occasions.

Brides' Father Offended.

A pretty wedding took place Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the residence of Miss Fuller, No. 141 Walnut street, Montclair, when her niece, Miss Estelle Noble Castro, daughter of the Rev. E. N. Castro of Somerville, formerly of Watseong, and Henry Noble Tappen of Jersey City were married. The ceremony was performed by the father of the bride.

A Railroad Hammer.

It is rumored that when electric motor power is used on the Bloomfield branch of the Lackawanna road, a car house and power house will be established in this town and that a site for the same has been selected.

Will Enlarge Plant.

The plant of the Empire Cream Separator Company is to be enlarged. The company is going to make gasoline motors to be applied to the operation of cream separators. Business is at present very brisk at the Empire works.

May be President at Haskell.

Former Town Councilman Benjamin Haskell, who has been identified with Republican party politics in this town for many years, is talked of for the presidency of the Second Ward Republican Club to succeed the late T. E. Hayes.

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French Peas—Mt. Fine, per can, 15c. Extra extra Fine, per can, 28c. Extra, 35c. Early June Peas, per can, 14c.
Finest grade Corn, 10c can, 3 for 25c; 13c can, 1.50 per dozen. Canned baby Corn, 17c can; per dozen cans, 1.75.
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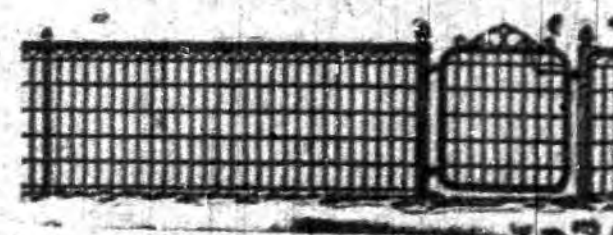
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